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***Memorandum***

TO: MTC Commission and Bay Area Toll Authority

DATE: July 20, 2011

FR: Executive Director

RE: Regional Government Co-location Facility Recommendation - 390 Main Street, San Francisco

Attached for your consideration is a joint staff report recommending 390 Main Street, San Francisco as the location of a new regional headquarters building to house the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA), the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District), and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). The attached report is the culmination of a two-year process to evaluate options to co-locate regional offices and pursue our joint planning missions.

I fully support this recommendation as it positions MTC and BATA at the right time to address our long-term facility needs with a financially feasible option given the current real estate market. The process leading up to this recommendation included an exhaustive review of the real estate options in both the San Francisco and Oakland markets and concluded that 390 Main Street was the only viable option that meets all of the major parameters established by the three agencies.

The proposed terms and conditions for the acquisition and of each agency's respective interest in 390 Main Street will be discussed in Closed Session for consideration by ABAG (July 21<sup>st</sup>) and MTC/BATA (July 27<sup>th</sup>). The Air District approved the recommendation at their July 18<sup>th</sup> governing board meeting by a vote of 13-2. Staff will also present, in closed session, the proposed joint facility governance and financing structure for consideration.

Under separate cover, I have notified both Mayor Quan and Mayor Lee of this recommendation.

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Steve Heminger

Attachment